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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An isolated recombinant polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 or a polynucleotide with at least 90% 95% sequence identity homology thereto encoding a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of VSIPPRNLGY (SEQ ID NO: 41),

wherein the polynucleotide has the following characteristics:

- (a) the <u>said</u> polypeptide <u>having</u> it encodes has at least 30% of the migration stimulation factor activity of a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein migration stimulation factor activity refers to the ability to stimulate adult skin fibroblast migration into a collagen gel; and
- (b) the polypeptide it encodes elicits antibodies that recognize a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, but do not recognize fibronectin.
- 2. (Canceled)
- 3. (Canceled)
- 4. **(Previously presented)** An isolated recombinant polynucleotide comprising the polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3.
- 5. (Previously presented) An isolated recombinant polynucleotide comprising the polynucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 3 at positions 57 through 1982.
 - 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Previously presented) An isolated replicable vector comprising a polynucleotide as defined in Claim 1.
- 8. (Previously presented) An isolated host cell comprising a recombinant polynucleotide as defined in Claim 1.
- 9. (Currently amended) A method of making a polypeptide encoded by the isolated recombinant polynucleotide of Claim 1, having at least 30% of the migration stimulation factor activity of the polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 comprising transfecting a host cell with said an isolated recombinant polynucleotide according to claim 1, culturing said host cell and isolating the said polypeptide encoded by said polynucleotide, wherein migration stimulation factor activity refers to the ability to stimulate adult skin fibroblast migration into a collagen gel.

10.-28. (Canceled)

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- 29. (Previously presented) A molecule which is a peptide consisting of a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO: 5, SEQ ID NO: 6, SEQ ID NO: 7, SEQ ID NO: 8, and SEQ ID NO: 9.
 - 30.-59. (Canceled)
- 60. (Previously presented) An isolated host cell comprising a replicable vector according to Claim 7.
 - 61. (Canceled)